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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- (Currently amended) An intra chip or intra mutlimulti-chip module on a shared 1. substrate multi-wavelength optical communication system comprising:
  - a number of emitters each of which emits radiation at a different wavelength; a plurality of detectors each of which senses radiation at a different wavelength corresponding to the radiation from one of said emitters; and a shared waveguide including a scattering medium configured with dispersive particles for transmitting emitted radiation to said detectors.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 2. which said emitter includes a vertical cavity surface emitting laser.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 3. which said emitter includes a scattering grating for redirecting the emitted radiation laterally through said shared waveguide.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 4. which a said detector includes a filter for selectively passing one of said wavelengths from said emitters.
- 5. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 4 in which said filter includes a Bragg grating.
- \$ n, 10,10 6. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in which said shared waveguide scatters the lateral leakage radiation from said emitters.
- 7. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in which said emitter includes an LED.
- 8. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in which said emitter includes an edge emitting laser.

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- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in which said emitter includes a reflector for redirecting the emitted radiation laterally through said shared waveguide.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 10. which said emitters and detectors are disposed in a generally planar array.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 10 in 11. which said shared waveguide is generally planar.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 12. which said emitters and detectors are disposed on a chip.
- 13. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 12 in which said chip is gallium arsenide.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 14. which said chip is flip-chip bonded to a silicon chip.
- 15. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in which said shared waveguide is disposed on an integrated circuit chip to provide intrachip communications.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 16. which said shared waveguide is disposed part on one integrated circuit chip and part on another integrated circuit chip to provide interchip communication.
- 10% (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in 17. which shared waveguide includes a reflective medium for containing the scattering radiation.
  - (4) 18. (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 17 in which a reflective medium is a lower index of refraction from the waveguide.

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- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 in which said shared waveguide is disposed part on a plurality of chips mounted on a common substrate to provide interchip communication.
- (Original) The multi-wavelength optical communication system of claim 1 further including an opaque barrier for absorbing the radiation.
- (Previously presented) A multi-wavelength optical communication system 21. comprising:
  - a number of emitters each of which emits radiation at a different wavelength; a plurality of detectors each of which senses radiation at a different wavelength corresponding to the radiation from one of the emitters; and a shared waveguide for transmitting radiation from the emitters to the detectors, the waveguide including a scattering medium configured with dispersive particles, and a reflective medium for containing scattering radiation.
- (Previously presented) A multi-wavelength optical communication system 22. comprising:
  - a number of emitters each of which emits radiation at a different wavelength; a plurality of detectors each of which senses radiation at a different wavelength corresponding to the radiation from one of the emitters; and a shared waveguide for transmitting radiation from the emitters to the detectors, the waveguide including a scattering medium configured with dispersive particles, wherein the shared waveguide is disposed part on one substrate and part on another substrate, thereby allowing communication between circuitry on the substrates.